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Dear Congressman Combest:

This is in reply to your letter of February 24, 1993, in which you inquired on behalf of several of your constituents regarding the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Notice) in PR Docket No. 92-235. 57 FR 54034 (1992). This Notice

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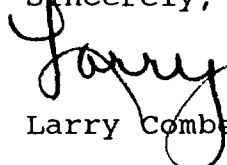
Dear Mr. Quello:

I would like to bring your attention to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) proposed revisions to the Private Land Mobile Radio (PLMR) services, PR Docket No. 92-235). Many of my constituents have contacted me regarding the FCC's efforts, and I respectfully request that you please consider their concerns before issuing a final rule.

As you are aware, the FCC has proposed a rule to replace Part 90 with the new Part 88. This extensive proposal would reform the spectrum below 800 MHz in the PLMR area. I realize this effort was attempted due to the increasing demand for spectrum by mobile service providers and to manage the FCC's spectrum more efficiently.

However, replacement of Part 90, which allows for the safe use of radio-controlled (R/C) aircraft and surface models by keeping 10 MHz spacing between fixed commercial users and frequencies used by R/C enthusiasts, with the new Part 88 would have a detrimental impact on the R/C aircraft community. Allowing mobile users on frequencies within 2.5 KHz of frequencies available to R/C aircraft would eliminate the safe use of at least 31 of the 50 channels on the 72 MHz band and 10 of the 30 frequencies on the 75 MHz band. Therefore, the remaining frequencies would be congested and greatly decrease the margin of safety. These enthusiasts go to great lengths to ensure careful coordination and use of radio control frequencies, as well as investing considerable time and money into their models and radio equipment. I respectfully request that you please consider these comments before issuing a final rule. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
Larry Combest